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# Waqf Board CLAIMS...

## 70 heritage sites, Govt. land in Srirangapatna as its own

### Department of Archaeology building, Tipu Armoury, Obelisk monument claimed

*The building of the Department of Archaeology, Museums and Heritage and the historic Tipu Armoury in Srirangapatna have now been classified as Waqf Board property.*

Srirangapatna, Jan. 6 (VK& BCT)- Even as the Karnataka Government was compelled to retract eviction notices against farmers embroiled in disputes over Waqf property — where vast stretches of land cultivated by farmers for generations were declared Waqf Board properties — fresh cases of Government properties being labelled as Waqf assets have surfaced from the historic town of Srirangapatna.

In a startling development, over 70 properties in Srirangapatna taluk, including Government properties, historical monuments such as the famed Tipu Armoury and structures under the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) and the State Department of Archaeology, Museums and Heritage, have been recorded as Waqf Board properties in the official RTC (Record of Rights, Tenancy and Crops) land records.

Surprisingly, the building of the Department of Archaeology, Museums and Heritage, Sri Chamarajendra Memorial Government Museum, Srirangapatna, has also been declared as Waqf property.

In addition to Government properties, several agricultural lands belonging to farmers in Srirangapatna town and taluk have also been listed in RTC Column No. 11 as properties of Karnataka State Waqf Board. This revelation has sparked public concern and caused alarm among the farmers.

Notably, the Tipu Armoury was moved in 2017 by 98 meters from its original location to pave the way for the double-tracking work of the Mysuru-Bengaluru railway line.

**(See WAQF on page 6)**

# Two bus stand thieves arrested

## Gold ornaments worth Rs. 12 lakh recovered

Mysuru, Jan. 6 (RK&KS)- Mysuru City Police have arrested two robbers, including a woman, who were targeting passengers at Sub-Urban Bus Stand. Gold ornaments, including bangles & chains, snatched from unsuspecting passengers, worth Rs. 12 lakh have been recovered. Notably, the robbers had come to Mysuru from Bhadravathi.

On Dec. 31, Lashkar Police arrested 42-year-old Savithri and 32-year-old Gururaj from Bhadravathi in Shivamogga district and recovered gold ornaments weighing 184 grams, valued at Rs. 12 lakh, from the duo. The arrested individuals are daily wage workers and residents of Santhe Maidan 3rd Cross in Bhadravathi town.

On Dec. 16, Lashkar Police received a complaint about the theft of gold jewellery weighing 184 grams from a lady holding a vanity bag at the Sub-Urban Bus Stand. Following this, a case was registered and a special Police team was formed to trace and arrest the culprits.

**(See THIEVES on page 6)**

## Online traffic fine paying website NOT WORKING

### Citizens forced to visit Police Stations to pay fine

Mysuru, Jan. 6 (RK, BNR & BCT)- The Karnataka State Police's traffic fine payment website ***(https://payfine.mchallan.com:7271)*** has become non-functional, compelling violators to visit Police Stations to clear their penalties.

This technical snag comes at a time when traffic penalty collections are already low across the State. In Mysuru city alone, as of December 2024, pending fines amount to a staggering Rs. 240 crore.

Previously, the website allowed violators, except those in Bengaluru, to conveniently pay fines online and check outstanding dues against their vehicles, eliminating trips to Police Stations. However, with the site now unresponsive, citizens are left with no choice but to pay fines in person.

The introduction of AI-based Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) cameras under the Intelligent Traffic Management System had significantly streamlined the traffic penalty system by automatically generating challans for violations.

Yet, despite thousands of violations recorded daily, penalty recovery remains sluggish, resulting in significant revenue losses for the Government.

Before the website was launched, the traffic rule violators had to visit the respective Traffic Police Stations in their localities to pay the fines. The fines were paid through the KarnatakaOne or MysoreOne website as well.

Now, with a non-functional website that was only dedicated for traffic fine collection purposes, it is expected to maximise the load on Traffic Police Stations.

Ashok Kumar, a Bannimantap resident, shared his frustration: "I've been trying to access the website for over a week, but it doesn't load. Today was no different."

**(See WEBSITE on page 6)**

# STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

**Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.**

Mysuru, Monday 6th January 2025


## Juloose Chistiya procession in city tomorrow

Mysuru, Jan. 6 (KS)- Sarkar Mehaboob Subhani Foundation at Sattar Sait Block in Lashkar Mohalla, as part of 813th year Annual Sandal Urus Shariff of Hazarath Khwaja Gareeb-un-Nawaz, Ajmer Shariff, Rajasthan, has organised Juloose Chistiya (Procession) tomorrow (Jan. 7) at 2.45 pm near Masjid-e-Azam on Ashoka Road, Mysuru, under the auspice of Sir Khazi of Mysuru Hazarath Moulana Mohammed Usman Shariff.

Several Masjid Management Committees, Sunni Jamath Welfare Organisations, Dawath Islami Mubaleeqin Sufi Saints, Darvesh, Mushayiqin Sufizam, Arabic Madries, staff and students along with devotees of Aowliya Allaha will participate in the procession.

The procession will begin from Meelad Park Circle and will pass through Ashoka Road, Sawday Road, Dr. Zakir Hussain Circle (Mission Hospital Circle), Eidgah Masjid Road, Pulikeshi Road, K.T. Street and Kantharaja Urs Park Road. The procession will return via K.T. Street, Sunni Chowk, K.R. Park Road and Sattar Sait Block to reach Masjid-e-Azam.

The procession organisers have arranged Tabruk - Langar Khwaja dinner at Masjid Azam before and after the procession for the participants. Devotees are requested to participate in the procession by wearing caps, aamama and wadu.

For further details, contact Hafeezulla Shariff Khadree, Convener, Sarkar Mehaboob Subhani Foundation on Mob: 99012-70392, according to a press release.

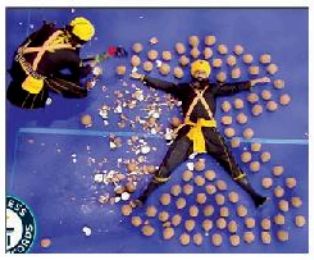
## EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

LIKE THE EARTH AND SEEDS: *Yudhishthitra asks Bhishma which is more important — vidhi or effort, said P.T. Seshadri in a discourse. Bhishma replies that there was once a discussion between Brahma and Vasistha on the subject. Both vidhi and duty have their place in our lives, explains Bhishma. It is like the connection between seeds and the earth. The earth has been ploughed and manured, and is ready for cultivation. But if we do not sow seeds, can we get crops? We must continue to do our duties. We often make the mistake of thinking that because we have faced something terrible in our lives, everything else in future is going to turn out the same way.*

*Some problems that we now face are obviously due to some bad karma of ours. They are the results of something wrong that we did in a previous birth. But that does not mean that no matter what we do, we will always end up facing disaster. That is why jnanis tell us to disregard misfortune and good fortune, to never see anything in positive or negative terms, but to simply do our duties. Jatayu, the eagle, who gave up his life trying to save Sita, is an example of one who did his duty, under the most trying circumstances. Ravana was carrying away Sita, who cried out to Jatayu to save Her. Ravana's might was well known. He was considered almost invincible. It was unlikely, therefore, that anyone would have been able to save Sita by fighting him. Yet, Jatayu did not think on these lines. He felt that it was far better to die than to witness such adharma. He tried to advise Ravana about the heinousness of what he was doing. And when that produced no result, he began to attack Ravana, and was cut down by the asura. Thus Jatayu went down fighting for dharma. He is a classic example of a person who did his duty, even if it meant giving up his life.* —*In The Hindu*

## NEWS SPARKLERS

### Blindfold man breaks coconuts around another man



Milan: A blindfolded man bagged Guinness World Records title when he used a sledgehammer to smash coconuts arranged around another member's body.

The blindfolded martial artist managed to smash 69 coconuts in one minute without injuring his teammate.

The previous record was by Rakesh and Prabhakar Reddy, who had smashed 50 coconuts in 2020.

The Bir Khalsa collective hold numerous world records, including the recently-announced title for the most slices of a cucumber held in a person's mouth with a chainsaw while blindfolded in one minute.

### Doors and windows removed for non payment of rent

Le Havre: A landlord in northern France is trying to force his tenants to leave in the middle of winter by removing the doors and windows on his property.

Landlord in Pas-de-Calais, a department in northern France, is trying to skirt around the law by forcing his tenants to vacate the property without actually asking them to leave. On Dec. 20, a team of workers arrived at the property and started disassembling the doors and windows under the pretext of replacing them. However, the tenants claim that they just loaded up the old doors and windows in a car and drove away, leaving them to brave the cold and face potential intrusion at all hours of the day and night. The French Homeowners' Association told reporters that they understand the landlord's motives, adding that the method used to coerce the tenants into leaving the property is completely illegal. The tenant has filed a complaint for breach of trust and is looking for social housing.

## HEALTH CAPSULE

**Malaria, Cause:** Malaria is caused by the Plasmodium parasite, transmitted by the Anopheles mosquito.

**Symptoms:** Fever, chills, sweating, headaches, and in severe cases, nausea and vomiting.

***By Dr. Veeresh J - Associate Consultant - Internal Medicine Manipal Hospital, Mysore***

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** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

## UoM secures 27th spot in SAA Global Rankings

Mysuru, Jan. 6- University of Mysore (UoM) has secured 27th spot in SAA Global Rankings, among 100 best quality Universities in the country, for imparting education to international students.

The ranking has been allotted considering the global learning environment provided for international students, along with making efforts to create new possibilities and opportunities for the students. Special mention to Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) Officers and staff for providing accurate data and records in compliance with SAA Guidelines.

Vice-Chancellor of University of Mysore Prof. N.K. Lokanath has congratulated the Director of International Centre and staff for their efforts in providing the required guidance, support and facilities to international students, the support of Syndicate and Academic Council Members, faculty and administrative staff, officers, researchers, students and parents.

## WATER LEVEL

| KRS DAM | KABINI DAM | HARANGI DAM |
|---|---|---|
| Maximum **124.80 feet** | Maximum **2,284 feet** | Maximum **2,859 feet** |
| Today's level **124.30 feet** | Today's level **2,280.68 feet** | Today's level **2,835.13 feet** |
| Last year's level **96.58 feet** | Last year's level **2,273.08 feet** | Last year's level **2,831.02 feet** |
| Yesterday's level **124.31 feet** | Yesterday's level **2,280.71 feet** | Yesterday's level **2,835.04 feet** |
| Today's Inflow **1,522 cusecs** | Today's Inflow **368 cusecs** | Today's Inflow **833 cusecs** |
| Today's Outflow **1,313 cusecs** | Today's Outflow **500 cusecs** | Today's Outflow **700 cusecs** |

## REALLY...?

- *The blue whale is the largest animal that ever lived and can grow to 90 or more feet and weigh as much as 24 elephants! That's more than 330,000 pounds (150,000 kg).*
- *Killer whales are highly social and often travel in groups that are matrifocal — a family unit focused or centred on the mother.*
- *Beluga whales have flexible necks, allowing them to move their heads.*
- *Gray whales make one of the longest annual migrations of any mammal: they travel about 10,000 miles (16,000 km) round trip!*

## LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

***Mr. Seth:*** *My wife has a horrible memory.*
***Mr. Sidhu:*** *She forgets everything?*
***Mr. Seth:*** *No, she remembers everything.*

## TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

| | |
|---|---|
| 1 US Dollar | = Rs. 85.77 |
| 1 UK Pound | = Rs. 106.55 |
| 1 UAE Dirham | = Rs. 23.35 |
| 1 Euro | = Rs. 88.41 |

VOICE OF THE READER

# e-Aasthi process: Frustrating delay

Sir,

In August-September 2023, the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) initiated a door-to-door drive in our area to collect inputs for the e-Aasthi process. Representatives from an NGO visited each house on our road, gathered the required data and handed it over to the authorities concerned.

The representative collected the materials at my residence on September 26-27, 2023. He mentioned that the authorities would call me on my mobile to provide a number for my records. However, it has been more than a year and I am yet to receive any such call. This delay is both frustrating and disappointing. Can we now hope that the authorities will finally communicate the relevant information to me and other homeowners on our road?

**—P.S. Kulashekhar**

T.K. Layout 3.1.2025

## No street lights on a stretch of Mahadevapura Main Road

Sir,

This is to inform the authorities and elected representatives of the lack of street lights on Mahadevapura Main Road (also known as Azeez Sait Main Road for a stretch).

This road extends from its starting point near the Nexus Mall junction (formerly Forum Mall) to its joining point at the Outer Ring Road near Sathagalli Bus Depot.

Commuters on this busy stretch are forced to rely on the limited lighting from nearby shops. Once these shops close around 10 pm, navigating the road becomes extremely challenging due to poor visibility.

It is shocking that such a busy road, frequented by hundreds daily, has been left neglected without proper street lighting. Additionally, the road remains unrepaired after being dug up for UGD works near the Shanthinagar junction, compounding the inconvenience for commuters.

I urge the authorities and elected representatives to address this issue urgently. The installation of street lights throughout this road and the immediate re-asphalting of the dug-up portions should be taken up on a priority basis to ensure safety and convenience for all road users.

**—Dr. Suhail Azam Khan**

Mysuru 31.12.2024

## Dr. CPK's 'Chintana Chintamani' to be released tomorrow

Mysuru, Jan. 6 (GA&TRR)- The book titled 'Chintana Chintamani,' a collection of 800 thought-provoking articles written by veteran writer Dr. C.P. Krishnakumar (CPK), will be released at a function to be held tomorrow (Jan. 7) at Dr. Shivarathri Rajendra Bhavan, JSS Hospital premises, in city at 5.30 pm under the aegis of Samvahana Publications and Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota, Mysuru.

Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji will grace the occasion. Retired Professor Dr. D.A. Shankar will release the book. Senior scholar Dr. H.V. Nagaraja Rao will speak about the book.

Mysore Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI) President K.B. Lingaraju will be the chief guest.

Publisher D.N. Lokappa and Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota President M. Chandrashekar will be present.

# Book discussion with Noble Laureate Venki Ramakrishnan in city on Jan. 8

*Venki Ramakrishnan*

Mysuru, Jan. 6- Mysuru Literary Forum Charitable Trust and Mysuru Book Clubs 2015 are hosting Venki Ramakrishnan, a Noble Laureate, at Vijnana Bhavan, Manasagangothri, Mysuru, on Jan. 8 at 6 pm.

Venki Ramakrishnan will speak about his recent book '*Why We Die: The New Science of Ageing and Longevity.*' This book has bagged the Atta Galatta Literary Award for the non-fiction category at the Bengaluru Literature Festival 2024.

Prof. C. Naganna and Dr. Mewa Singh will be in conversation with the Noble Laureate. For details, contact Founder-Chairperson Shubha Sanjay Urs on Mob: 99802-50114.

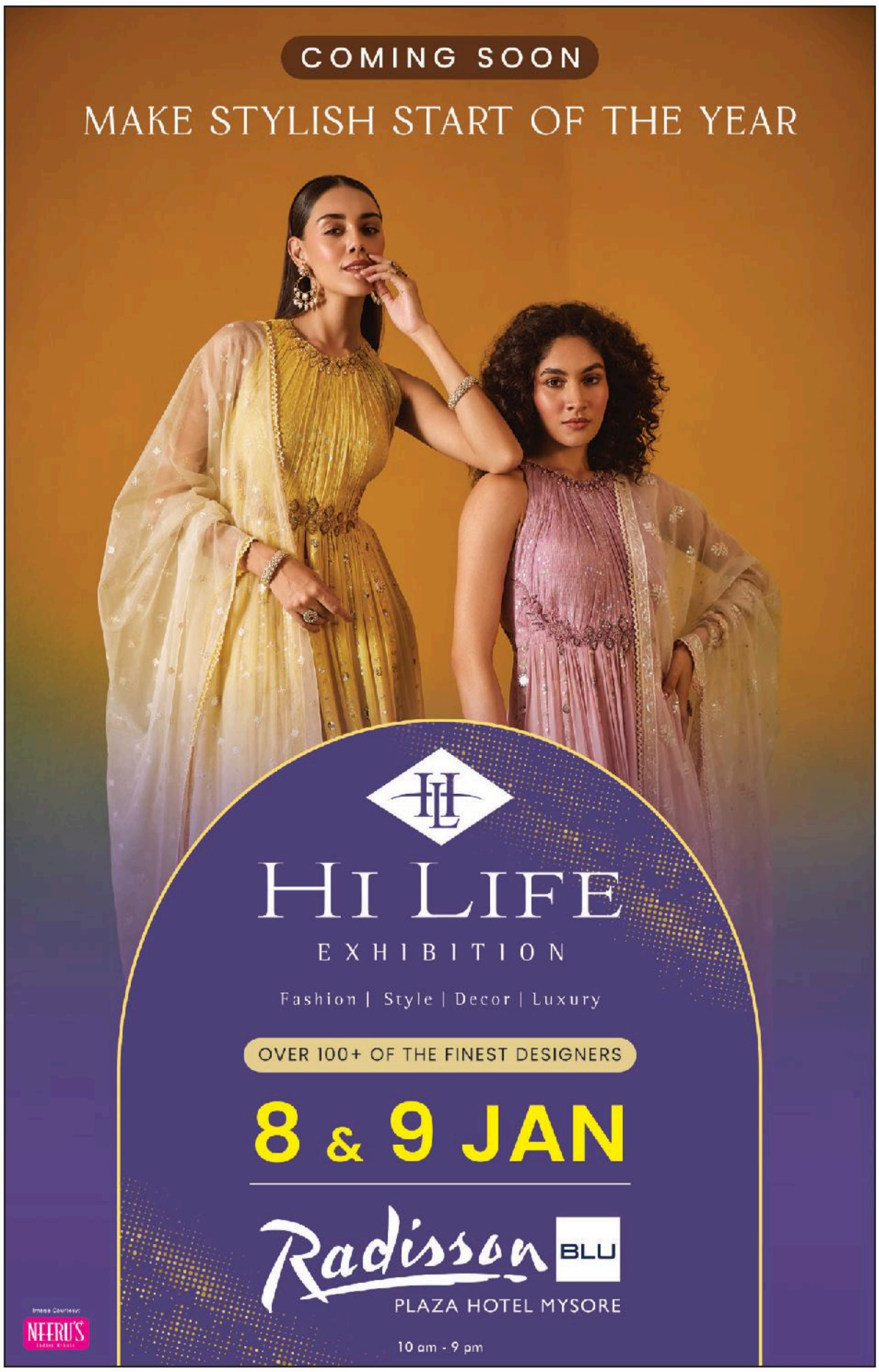
**Profile:** Venki Ramakrishnan was born and grew up in India where he obtained a degree in Physics. At the age of 19, he left for the United States to pursue a Ph.D in Physics, but his interests soon turned to Biology.

He spent almost three decades in the USA before moving to England in 1999 to work in the MRC Laboratory of Molecular Biology in Cambridge where he is now a Group Leader.

Most of his work has been on central problems in Molecular Biology, including how genetic information in our DNA is "read" to make the proteins they specify.

He and others determined the precise atomic structure of the ribosome which helped us to understand how it worked. The work also showed how many antibiotics work by blocking bacterial ribosomes, which could help us to design better antibiotics. For this work, he shared the 2009 Nobel Prize in Chemistry.

From 2015-2020, Venki Ramakrishnan was President of the Royal Society, one of the oldest scientific organisations in the world. Venki Ramakrishnan is the author of two books. The first, '*Gene Machine*' (2018), a popular memoir about the quest for the structure of ribosome. His most recent book, '*Why We Die: The New Science of Aging and the Quest for Immortality*' (2024) is about the biology of aging and death.



## NEWS BRIEFS

### Pranayama Therapy

A four-day free Pranayama Therapy Workshop has been organised from Jan. 8 to 12 at Chandramouleshwara Temple near Matrumandali in Vontikoppal. Yoghacharya Dr. Devaki Madhav will deliver lecture on Cancer on Jan. 8; lecture on Thyroid on Jan. 9; BP and Sugar on Jan. 10 and on Health will be delivered on Jan. 12. For details, contact Mob: 97419-58118 or 94801-36514, according to a press release.

### Free diabetes screening camp

Suyog Hospital has organised a free diabetes screening camp at its premises from Jan. 6 to 11 between 10 am and 6 pm at its premises. Those suffering from frequent urination, excessive thirst, hunger, tiredness, giddiness and other such symptoms may make use of the camp. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2566966 or Mob: 99863-99862.

## Kattemad Temple dress code row

# Meeting inconclusive; Kodagu Deputy Commissioner to decide

*Tight Police security near Maragodu VSSN Hall following the Committee meeting of Mrityunjaya Temple Management Board yesterday.*

Madikeri, Jan. 6 (PS&BCT)- A meeting of the Kattemad Maha Mrityunjaya Mahadeshwara Kshetra Temple Committee, residents and other community representatives held at Maragodu VSSN Hall yesterday failed to reach a consensus regarding the ongoing dress code controversy. It was ultimately decided to defer the matter to the Deputy Commissioner (DC) for resolution.

The controversy erupted on Dec. 28, when a few Kodava community members were denied entry into the Temple by individuals from the Arebhashe Gowda community, reportedly representing the Temple Management Board.

These individuals demanded that the Kodavas either remove their traditional attire or leave the premises, citing temple by-laws prohibiting such clothing. Kodava community members strongly contested this claim, leading to widespread protests across Kodagu.

The unrest prompted the Kodagu Police to impose prohibitory orders. The DC subsequently directed the Temple Committee to find a mutually acceptable solution within a week, leading to yesterday's meeting.

The meeting saw the attendance of 13 members from the Temple Management Committee and 40 out of 43 Sub-Committee members. The discussion regarding the dress code remained inconclusive, prompting the Committee to submit a report to the District Administration. The Temple Committee will act based on the DC's instructions.

During the meeting, a proposal was made for Kodava community members from Kattemad village to wear *Kupya Chele* (traditional Kodava attire) on the festival's last day.

However, this was opposed by Kodava representatives, who demanded that all Kodava community members, regardless of their village, be allowed to wear traditional attire during the festival. The proposal failed to gain the support of the Temple Committee and Sub-Committees.

Speaking to reporters, Temple Committee President Kattemane Shashi Janardhan confirmed the lack of consensus on the dress code issue. He stated that decisions were made on other matters discussed during the meeting and a report would be submitted to the DC.

Given the sensitive nature of the issue and the prohibition orders, the meeting was held under tight Police security.

# Seven go missing from city

*N.N. Nagaraju M.E. Rakshith S. Madhu Leelavathi Kamalamma M.S. Amrutha Aravind Kumar*

Mysuru, Jan. 6 (KS)- In separate cases, seven persons including three women have gone missing from Vijayanagar Police limits in city.

In the first case, 48-year-old N.N. Nagaraju, who left his house on Nov. 17 at about 8.45 am, has since gone missing.

The missing man is 5.5 ft. tall, normal built, oily red complexioned, oval faced, speaks Kannada and was wearing a sky-blue coloured full arm shirt with white stripes and black pant.

In the second case, 24-year-old Rakshith, an engineering student at a private college in city, who left his relative's house on Sept. 29, saying that he was going to his native place with his friends, has since gone missing.

Rakshith is 5.2 ft. tall, normal built, oily red complexioned, oval faced, has a mole on the left side of his nose, speaks Kannada and English and was wearing a sky-blue coloured jeans pant, a full arm shirt and was carrying a sky-blue coloured bag when he left his relative's house.

In the third case, 32-year-old S. Madhu, who left his rented accommodation for work on Dec. 27 at about 9 am, has since gone missing.

Madhu is 5.8 ft. tall, normal built, oily red complexioned, round faced, has marks of old wounds on both his knees, speaks Kannada and was wearing a blue coloured T-shirt and blue jeans pant at the time of going missing.

In the fourth case, 47-year-old Leelavathi, a house help, has gone missing since Nov. 18 from city.

She is 5 ft. tall, well built, oily red complexioned, round faced, speaks Kannada, Hindi, Marathi and English and was wearing a saree at the time of going missing.

In the fifth case, 80-year-old Kamalamma, who left her rented house on Oct. 31, has since gone missing.

She is 4.5 ft. tall, oily red complexioned, oval faced, hunchback, speaks Kannada and was wearing a red coloured saree and green blouse at the time of going missing.

In the sixth case, 20-year-old M.S. Amrutha, who left her house on Oct. 27 at about 7 am, saying that she was going to write the test for Village Accountant post, has since gone missing. She is 5 ft. tall, normal built, round faced, speaks Kannada and English and was wearing a green coloured top, green pant and black sweater at the time of her leaving the house.

In the seventh case, 30-year-old Aravind Kumar, who left his house on Dec. 28 at about 10.30 am, without informing his family members and taking away all his documents, has since gone missing.

He is 5.6 ft. tall, fair complexioned, round faced, has the tattoo of a wheel on his right forearm, scorpion tattoo on his right index finger, tattoo of a skeleton on his right forearm, '6' digit below his left ear and a tattoo of Shiva on the left side of his chest, speaks Kannada, Hindi, Urdu, Arabic and English and was wearing a black T-shirt and brown pant. Those having any information about the missing persons may contact Vijayanagar Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418317 or Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339.

# Youth cuts birthday cake with machete; lands in jail

Mysuru, Jan. 6 (BLU&KS)- A youth, who celebrated his birthday by cutting the cake with a machete (long) and uploaded the video on social media platform has landed in jail.

The youth, who landed in jail is Tabrez, a resident of Ghousianagar in Udayagiri Police limits.

On Jan. 2, the accused celebrated his birthday with his friends during which he cut the birthday cake with the lethal weapon and uploaded the video on a social media platform.

The Police, who got the information, went through the video and as it is a crime to possess lethal weapons, Udayagiri Police arrested the accused and produced him before a Court, which remanded him to judicial custody.

## Vehicle lifter arrested: Six two-wheelers worth Rs. 5 lakh recovered

Mysuru, Jan. 6 (KS)- Ashokapuram Police, on Jan. 2, have arrested a man on charges of stealing vehicles and have recovered six two-wheelers worth Rs. 5 lakh from him. The accused was arrested near K.G. Koppal in city.

Following the arrest, the Police have solved one case each in Ashokapuram, Devaraja, Kuvempunagar and Nanjangud Town Police Stations and two cases in Lakshmipuram Police Station.

DCP (Crime and Traffic) S. Jahnavi and KR Sub-Division ACP Ramesh Kumar guided Ashokapuram Inspector C. Rohit, Sub-Inspector Pratibha Jangawada and staff Srinivas Prasad, Mehaboob Sahebhalli, Hemanth Kumar, Keerthi, Suhas, Varun and Nalini in the operation.

## Obituary

**Batoola Begum**

Mysuru, Jan. 6 - Batoola Begum (88), wife of Mir Sadiq Ali, proprietor of Ali Brothers on Sayyaji Rao Road, passed away following brief illness this morning in city.

She leaves behind her husband Mir Sadiq Ali, sons Bakher Ali and Anjum Ali, daughters-in-law Meenaz Ali and Durdana (Nisha) Ali, grand-children Zubin Ali, Aruj Ali, Anush Ali and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza will be held at Jaffaria Masjid in Lashkar Mohalla at 5 pm today, followed by the burial in city, according to sources.

# Geeth Gaatha Chal relives golden melodies

Mysuru, Jan. 6 (PM&VNS)- The 23th edition of Geeth Gaatha Chal, one of the most eagerly awaited events in Mysuru city, witnessed a jam-packed audience enjoying some of best golden hits in both Kannada and Hindi languages presented by doctors and their family members at Kalamandira in city last evening.

The programme began with a melodious rendition of the song *'Teredide Mane O Baa Athithi...'* from the movie *Hosabelaku* by Dr. Sushma Arun and her daughter Bhumika Arun. Later, Dr. M.S. Natashekhar and his daughter Apoorva Natashekhar presented the song *'Tu Pyaar Ka Sagar Hai...'* from the movie *Seema*. This was followed by the song *'Baharon Mera Jeevan Bhi Sanwaro...'* from the movie *Aakhri Khat* released in 1966 by Dr. A.L. Hemalatha. The song was originally sung by late Lata Mangeshkar.

The event continued to enthral the audience with Dr. P.A. Kushalappa presenting the song *'Lehron Pe Lehar...'* from movie *Chhabili* released in 1960 starring Nutan and Hemant Kumar.

The Kannada duet song *'Aralide Thanu Mana...'* from the movie *Apoorva Sangama* by Dr. Seethalakshmy and Dr. Somnath Vasudeva couple was received well by the audience.

Later, the songs like *'Bachpan Ki Mohabbat...'* by Dr. Snehashree Nirmalkumar; *'Banda Parvar Thaam Lo Jigar...'* by Dr. U. Ganesh Rao; *'Awara Hoon...'* by Dr. U.G. Shenoy; *'Mujhe Kitna Pyaar Hai Tumse...'* by Dr. M.S. Natashekhar and Apoorva; *'O Mere Dil Ke Chain...'* by Dr. Somnath Vasudeva; *'Tere Sur Aur Mere Geet...'* by Dr. Seethalakshmy; *'Phaili Hui Hai Sapnon Ki Baahen...'* by Dr. Shivani Nayak; *'Chand Phir Nikla...'* by Dr. Amrutha Upadhya; Kannada duet song *'Na Bidalare Yendu Ninna...'* by Dr. Sushma Krishnamurthy and Dr. Ganesh Rao; *'Satyam Shivam Sundaram'* by R.L. Varsha; *'Madhuban Mein Radhika...'* by Dr. Shyam Prasad; *'Saiyan Dil Mein Aana Re...'* by Sparsha Shenoy took the audience to a journey into the golden era of cinema witnessed in the 50s, 60s and 70s.

Earlier, receiving the felicitation, Dr. K.R. Dakshayani, Dean and Director, Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMC&RI), thanked industrialist Dr. M. Jagannath Shenoy and Kusuma Shenoy couple for constructing students' rest-room at a cost of Rs. 60 lakh at the MMC&RI campus. Stating programme like 'Geeth Gaatha Chal' was necessary, Dr. Dakshayani added that such programmes would help doctors, who always work under pressure, to relax.

Dr. Jagannath Shenoy, sponsor of the event, said that 'Geeth Gaatha Chal' would have completed its Silver Jubilee without a two-year break owing to COVID.

The event also witnessed screening of a documentary on Dr. Jagannath Shenoy's life and contribution to the society.

The programme was anchored by Syed Aftab Ahmed.

Industrialist Sam Cherian, singer Puttur Narasimha Nayak, Geeth Gaatha Chal Patron Dr. C. Umesh Kamath, MAHAN President Dr. Javeed Nayeem, Senior Surgeon Dr. C.G. Narasimhan, Dr. C.D. Sreenivasa Murthy and others were present.

***Team Geeth Gaatha Chal seen with** (sitting from left) **Organising Chairperson Dr. Somnath Vasudeva, Dr. M.S. Natashekhar, Chief Patron Dr. C. Umesh Kamath, Sponsors Kusuma Shenoy and Dr. M. Jagannath Shenoy, MMC&RI Dean and Director Dr. K.R. Dakshayani and Dr. A.L. Hemalatha.***

***Dr. Amrutha Upadhya presenting a song.***

***Dr. P.A. Kushalappa performing on stage.***

***Dr. A.L. Hemalatha and Shabbir rendering a duet song.***

***Dr. M.S. Natashekhar and his daughter Apoorva Natashekhar presenting a duet song.***

***A section of audience enjoying 'Geetha Gaatha Chal' Doctors Musical Nite at Kalamandira in city yesterday.***

### Special tribute to Mohd. Rafi

A special tribute was paid to singer Mohd. Rafi on the occasion of his birth centenary by Shabbir, who was invited as a guest singer, who is known as 'Junior Mohd. Rafi.' He rendered the song *'Tum To Pyar Ho...'* from the movie *Sehra* along with Dr. A.L. Hemalatha, originally sung by Mohd. Rafi and Lata Mangeshkar. This was followed by the famous song *'Likhe jo Khat Tujhe...'* from *Kanyadaan.*

### Audience Request

Yesterday's event for the first time witnessed singers rendering songs requested by the audience under the title 'Aap Ki Farmaish.' Organisers took requests from 10 audiences of which two songs were presented.

# Not Princess Road but KRS Road will be renamed

## Princess Road only from Dasappa Circle to Sri Lakshmi Venkataramanaswamy Temple: MLA

*Harishgowda*

Mysuru, Jan. 6 (BLU&VNS)- With the controversy over renaming 'Princess Road' in the city escalating, both BJP and JD(S) have voiced their opposition.

However, Congress MLA K. Harishgowda, who proposed the renaming, clarified his stance, stating that he did not demand the renaming of Princess Road but only sought to name the stretch from Sri Lakshmi Venkataramanaswamy Temple to Royal Inn junction as 'Siddaramaiah Arogya Marga.'

Speaking to reporters at Congress Bhavan this morning, he explained that he had submitted a proposal to Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) on Nov. 12, 2023, to rename KRS Road as 'Siddaramaiah Arogya Marga.'

"Objections were raised by Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar regarding the renaming. I have not asked for the renaming of Princess Road but only the section from Sri Lakshmi Venkataramanaswamy Temple to Royal Inn after CM Siddaramaiah for his contributions to the health sector," he said.

Harishgowda presented a blueprint, detailing that the stretch from Dasappa Circle to Sri Lakshmi Venkataramanaswamy Temple was historically named Princess Road since the 1930s, according to the 2016 City Development Plan (CDP). The stretch from the Temple to Royal Inn junction was known as KRS Road, as per the 1997 CDP, which they proposed to rename as 'Siddaramaiah Arogya Marga.'

"We respect the contributions of the Mysore Royal Family to Mysuru. However, misinformation has been spread about the Congress party opposing the Wadiyars," he claimed.

The MLA proposed installing a name board for Princess Road along with a statue of Princess Krishnajammanni, after whom the road was named. He also mentioned that he had no objection to retaining the name 'Princess Road' until the Royal Inn junction if relevant historical evidence was provided.

City Congress Committee President R. Murthy, District Congress Committee President Dr. B.J. Vijaykumar, and other leaders were present at the press conference.

# Waqf Board claims sites, land

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Recently, it came to light that the Chikkamma Chikkadevi Temple in Mahadevpura village and the Government School in Chandagalu village of the taluk have also been listed as Waqf Board properties. This revelation, along with the inclusion of several properties across the Taluk in RTCs as Waqf Board properties, has not only caused surprise but also raised concerns about the future course of action.

**Owned by Directorate of Archaeology**

Notably, properties in Srirangapatna town bearing Survey Nos. 17, 28, 63, 68, and 73, previously recorded in RTCs as belonging to the Directorate of Archaeology, Karnataka Government, have been reclassified in Column No. 11 of the RTCs for the year 2014-15 as Waqf Board properties.

Additionally, 20 guntas of land under Survey No. 758, previously recorded as Government property, has now been listed as 'Government Makan'. Furthermore, over 4 acres of land under Survey Nos. 343/1, 343/2, 343/3, 343/4, and 143/5, belonging to Raghu Chaitanya Y. Nayak, son of Yashodhara G. Nayak, has also been recorded as Karnataka State Waqf Board property.

In Kasaba hobli of Srirangapatna, properties under Survey Nos. 193/1, 193/2A, 193/2B, 194, 924 and 590 have been similarly listed as Waqf assets. In Arakere hobli Dodda Harohalli village, properties under Survey Nos. 91/1 and 74 have been recorded as Waqf property, while at Kirangur village of K. Shettahalli Hobli, properties under Survey Nos. 526/2P1, 526/2P2, 600, 601, 657, 662/21, 662/P2, 664, 1068/P1, 1068/P2, 670, 1066, 663, 527/1, 527/2, 527/3, 527/4, and 527/5 have been classified as Waqf Board properties.

**Initial observation**

Preliminary observations indicate that over 70 RTC records across the taluk have been affected, with hundreds of acres of land now listed under the Waqf Board jurisdiction.

*The Obelisk monument in Srirangapatna has been classified as Waqf Board property. Also known as the Siege Monument, it serves as a commemorative edifice marking the memory of British officers who lost their lives during the siege of Srirangapatna on May 4, 1799, during the Fourth Anglo-Mysore War fought between the British army and the forces of the Mysore Kingdom, led by Tipu Sultan.*

A deeper investigation is necessary to uncover the extent of the Waqf Board land classification. Interestingly, most farmers remain unaware that their lands have been listed as Waqf Board properties, adding to the peculiar nature of this issue.

Farmers in the taluk are now compelled not only to verify their RTC documents but also to prepare for a battle against the Waqf Board's encroachments. It is reported that the changes were made by officials following a Government Gazette notification in 2014-2015.

In mutation records (MR), the changes appear under the guise of 'court orders,' with the Assistant Commissioner's directive enabling 'pahani' (land record) modifications. Consequently, Column No. 11 of the RTCs now lists these properties as belonging to the Waqf Board.

This development has caused widespread concern among the public and farmers across the taluk. There is growing fear that more land parcels could be listed as Waqf Board properties in the days to come.

# 'Initiate measures to improve SSLC results'

## 39,132 freshers to appear for 2024-25 SSLC Exam

*Deputy Commissioner (DC) G. Lakshmikanth Reddy addressing the meeting at Zilla Panchayat (ZP) auditorium in city this morning as ZP CEO K.M. Gayathri and others look on.*

Mysuru, Jan. 6 (MTY&VNS)- With a focus to further improve the SSLC results in the district, Deputy Commissioner (DC) G. Lakshmikanth Reddy presided over a meeting with BEOs, Head Masters and Head Mistresses of all the Government High Schools in the district at Zilla Panchayat (ZP) auditorium here this morning.

The meeting was jointly organised by the District Administration, ZP and Department of Public Instructions to discuss on the measures initiated in Government High Schools to improve the results in the upcoming SSLC Examinations to be held for the academic year 2024-25.

During the meeting, DC Lakshmikanth Reddy instructed the officials and school heads to ensure that weak students should be identified by the teachers to help them improve upon their studies.

He also mentioned that meritorious students should be mixed with weaker students during the group studies to help them discuss among themselves on various subjects.

Stating it was the responsibility of teachers to identify weaker students, the DC instructed officials and school heads to ensure a minimum of 75 percent results in each Government High Schools of the districts.

Earlier, explaining about the measures initiated to improve the results, the Block Education Officers (BEOs) said that special classes, group studies and quiz programme were being held for the weaker students to improve upon their studies. "Study materials in each subject are being distributed to the students apart from holding discussions on *WhatsApp* groups and conducting revision classes," they said.

Mysuru districts has a total of 812 High Schools which includes 233 Government High Schools, 48 High Schools belonging to the Department of Social Welfare and Department of Tribal Welfare, 134 Aided High Schools, 390 Unaided High Schools and seven High Schools coming under the Central Government. This year, a total of 39,132 freshers will appear for the SSLC Examination to be held for the academic year 2024-25.

BEOs of Mysuru South, Mysuru North, Mysuru Rural, K.R. Nagar, Nanjangud, Hunsur, Periyapatna, H.D. Kote and T. Narasipur, along with Head Masters and Head Mistresses of 233 Government High Schools, attended the meeting.

ZP CEO K.M. Gayathri and Deputy Director of Public Instruction (DDPI) Javaregowda and others were present.

# Bus stand thieves arrested

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Under the guidance of DCP (Crime and Traffic) S. Jahnavi and Devaraja ACP Shanthamallappa, the special Police team conducted investigations and arrested the accused on Dec. 31. Based on their information, the Police recovered the stolen gold jewellery worth Rs. 12 lakh.

Additionally, the Police have advised passengers to avoid openly displaying gold jewellery while boarding or alighting from buses, refrain from carrying costly jewellery in public transport, stay alert when approached by strangers claiming money has been lost, avoid travelling alone, and exercise caution while carrying gold jewellery.

Lashkar Inspector K.R. Prasad, Sub-Inspectors M. Radha and Anilkumar Vannur, along with staff members Suresh, Ravikumar, Girish, Manjunath, Chowdappa Pasigar, Abdul Rehman, Ashvini Halavara, and Technical Wing's Kumar participated in the operation.

# Online traffic fine payment website

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Anand Krishna from Saraswathipuram echoed similar woes. "I have fines on two vehicles and have tried using my laptop, phone, and even a friend's phone, but the site remains inaccessible," he said.

Many citizens were unaware of alternative payment methods and relied heavily on the website. H.S. Tejas, a resident of Krishnamurthypuram, remarked, "Not everyone has the time to visit a Police Station. The website was a convenient option, and its failure is a major setback."

The Government's inability to resolve the issue is not just affecting violators but also contributing to the mounting backlog of penalties, adding to the woes of an already strained traffic management system.

**ACP clarifies**

Speaking to *SOM* this morning, Traffic Sub-Division ACP H. Parashuramappa stated that the non-working traffic fine payment website had not come to their attention. "We will take measures to rectify the glitches on the website to enable smooth payment of penalties," he said.

# Dalit and Backward Class organisations seek support for tomorrow's Mysuru bandh

Mysuru, Jan. 6 (GA&DM)- Several leaders representing different organisations, have sought support for tomorrow's (Jan. 7) Mysuru bandh called by several Dalit organisations, Backward Class Organisations, SDPI (Socialist Democratic Party of India) and other like-minded organisations and associations, demanding the sacking of Union Home Minister Amit Shah for his remarks made in Parliament against Dr. B.R. Ambedkar.

Addressing a press meet at Patrakarthara Bhavan here this morning, Karnataka Rajya Hindulida Vargagala Jagruta Vedike President K.S. Shivaram said that support has been sought for tomorrow's bandh from Auto Owners Association, taxi and other public transport operators, APMC workers, trade unions, labour unions, Muslim organisations etc.

Pointing out that several organisations have extended their full support for the bandh, he said 6-7 teams will be formed for ensuring the success of the bandh.

"One of the teams will be deployed near KSRTC Sub-Urban Bus Stand for halting bus services, while others will be deployed near the City Bus Stand and at certain points on roads leading to and from the city, to ensure that the bandh is a total success," Shivaram said adding that the organisations are taking all other necessary measures for ensuring the success of the bandh.

Former Mayor Purushotham who also spoke, said that Prime Minister Modi should have sacked Union Home Minister Amit Shah by now, for his remarks against Dr. Ambedkar. But as no action has been taken against Shah, many Dalit and other organisations have called for Mysuru bandh tomorrow.

Pointing out that Dr. Ambedkar is the pride and icon of crores of Dalits and other exploited and downtrodden sections of the society, he said they cannot tolerate any insulting remarks against Dr. Ambedkar, who is called the Father of Indian Constitution.

Urging PM Modi to immediately sack Shah from his Cabinet, he sought the support of all organisations and associations for the success of the bandh. He warned that a Delhi Chalo march will be taken out after the Winter Season, if Shah is not ousted from the Union Cabinet.

Purushotham further said that over 10,000 pamphlets have been distributed across the city to create public awareness on tomorrow's Mysuru bandh.

Former Mayor B.L. Bhyrappa, former Corporator K.V. Mallesh, SDPI State Vice-President Puttananjaiah, District President Rafat Khan, Madivala community leader Ravinandan, Dalit Mahasabha office-bearer Rajesh, District Uppara Association President Yogesh Uppar and others were present at the press meet.

## Hoteliers to extend moral support

Mysuru, Jan. 6 (SBD& TRR)- City Hotel Owners' Association has announced its moral support to tomorrow's Mysuru bandh call given by various organisations.

"Employees and owners of hotels, restaurants, bakery, tea-coffee stalls, chat centres and luxury hotels in city will function wearing black bands to extend moral support to the proposed bandh tomorrow. In addition, the Association members will also take part in the protest to be held at 10 am," said Association President C. Narayana Gowda and Hon. Secretary A.R. Ravindra in a press release issued by the Association.

"No great men should be insulted. Our Association strongly condemns such incidents. When it comes to the question of protecting the interests of our State, its language and people, our Association will always be at the forefront to protect the same. But many people including those in hospitals and their attendants depend on hotels for food and it is our duty to cater to their needs. Hence, the Association at an emergency meeting held yesterday, has taken a decision to extend moral support to the bandh call tomorrow," according to the press release issued by the city Hotel Owners' Association.

# Chunchanakatte cattle fair begins

Chunchanakatte, Jan. 6- The popular Chunchanakatte Cattle Fair, which is said to be the first such one to take place in South India post the harvest season, began at Chunchanakatte in Saligrama taluk of Mysuru district yesterday.

Chunchanakatte is widely known as the rice bowl of Mysuru district and farmers from across the State and neighbouring States flock this village every year for taking part in the cattle fair. The village is also famous for Chunchanakatte Water Falls, which attracts thousands of tourists every year.

The special thing about this cattle fair is that oxen dominate the cattle fair more than cows.

Each ox up for sale here, has a price tag ranging from Rs. 40,000 to Rs. 6 lakh depending on the species and its agricultural usefulness. The cattle brought here are sheltered under specially decorated and illuminated Shamianas and thatched roofs. However, this annual fair is losing its sheen with each passing year, as the number of cattle arriving for the fair is dwindling, with farm machineries replacing the need for cattle. Farmers from far off districts in the State and as well from neighbouring States arrive here for trading their cattle, in the hope of getting a good price. The most popular species of cattle here is the Hallikar specie.

Despite the grandeur of the fair, it has its own shortcomings too. Yoganna, a local farmer leader, regretted the lack of publicity for this important cattle fair which draws hundreds of farmers from different parts of the State. He wondered, why the Government which spends a lot of money on even small programmes, is negligent to this unique cattle fair, which is the first such one to take place in South India in the post-harvest season. This year, the fair is taking place amidst bountiful rains, availability of enough fodder and other necessary facilities for the farmers, he added.

# Writer Dr. N. D'Souza passes away

*Dr. N. D'Souza*

Shivamogga, Jan. 6 (Agencies)- Noted Kannada Writer and Thinker Dr. Norbert D'Souza, popularly known as Dr. Na. D'Souza, passed away at a private hospital in Mangaluru yesterday. He was 87.

Dr. D'Souza is survived by his wife, two sons and a daughter. His mortal remains will be kept for public viewing at his residence in Sagara, said his son Naveen N. D'Souza. Funeral is expected to be held later in the day today.

Born on June 6, 1937, to F.P. D'Souza and Roopina D'Souza couple, Dr. N. D'Souza grew up to become one of the celebrated writers in Kannada literature and cinema. He has authored 37 novels, four plays and 28 children literary works apart from writing hundreds of short stories.

His novels *Kaadina Benki* and *Dweepa* which were adapted into movies, have bagged with *Rajat Kamal* and *Swarna Kamal awards* respectively. His work *Mulugadeya Oorige Bandavaru* was awarded with Bala Sahitya Award by Kendra Sahitya Akademi in 2011. He also received numerous awards including the Karnataka Sahitya Academy Award, Gulwadi Venkatrao Award, Karnataka Rajyotsava Award, Mangaluru Sandesha Award, New Delhi Katha Award, Puttur Niranjana Sahitya Award. Dr. N. D'Souza also served as the President of 80th Kannada Sahitya Sammelana held in Madikeri during 2014.

## Obituary

**M.N. Sharadamma**

Mysuru, Jan. 6- M.N. Sharadamma (90), wife of late Srinivas Iyer and a resident of Ramakrishnanagar, passed away in the wee hours of yesterday in city.

She leaves behind her son Vijaykumar, daughter-in-law, grandson and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill yesterday morning, according to family sources.

# MLA performs guddali puja for Rs. 5 crore developmental works

Mysuru, Jan. 6 (MTY&KS)- Chamaraja Constituency MLA K. Harishgowda yesterday performed *guddali puja* for various developmental works worth Rs. 5 crore to be undertaken at MCC Ward No. 42.

The works to be undertaken are: construction of storm water drains through Saraswathipuram 4th Main Road; construction of drain and footpath in front of TTL College till the Fire Brigade; road development works from Fire Brigade till Ekalavya Circle, near MUDA Office till the old DC Office, in front of District Law Courts complex and other road development works.

Speaking on the occasion, the MLA said that the development works is being taken up following demand from the Constituency residents and development works are taken up on priority basis.

Pointing out that various works were in progress as of now, he said that now, works on prominent roads in MCC Ward No. 42 is being taken up.

Former Mayors Modamani and T.B. Chikkanna, leaders Rajanna, Srinivas, Bhaskar Gowda, Bandigowda, Vishwanath, Nagaraju, Block President Ravi, Deepu Pradeep, Mahesh, Satish, Girish, MCC Zone-3 officers Satyamurthy, Madhusudhan, Tejasvini and others were present.

# SwarSwapn: A rare violin ensemble experience in city on Jan. 12

Vidu. Swapna Datar

Siddhi Deshpande

Vedha Pol

Shreyas Abhyankar

Tanishka Joshi

Shubham Shah

Reserve your next Sunday evening for a delightful Hindustani Musical performance. 'Ninaada Griha Sangeeta' by Ranjani Memorial Trust will bring a rare violin ensemble experience on Jan. 12 at 6.30 pm with a group concert by the students of **famous violinist and Guru Vidu. Swapna Datar of Pune.**

It will be the 16th home concert at 'Ninaada,' #37, Rishabh Siddhi Layout, Kergalli, Mysuru [Mob: 94496-76014].

At this musical evening, four disciples of Vid. Swapna Datar shall present performances on violin and cello.

The violin performances will be rendered by **Siddhi Deshpande, Vedha Pol** and **Shreyas Abhyankar,** whilst **Tanishka Joshi** will showcase her talent on the Cello. The ensemble will feature **Shubham Shah** providing tabla accompaniment, with Vidu. Swapna Datar offering narration throughout the programme.

Vidu. Swapna Datar is one of the prominent violinists in Hindustani Art Music. 'SwarSwapn Violin Vrinda' is conceived and actualised by violin player and educator Swapna Datar.

'SwarSwapn' successfully maintains a balance between Classical music and Film music, creating a perfect combination, making it more than just an entertainment. It is an experiment carried out with multiple aims, such as encouraging children, accustoming them to Riyaaz (practicing music) at an early stage of life and propagation of music.

Vidu. Swapna Datar is a senior disciple of Sangeet Natak Akademi awardee Pandit Vasantrao Sheolikar of Bhopal. Her solo performances feature the subtle, gradual unfolding of the Ragas with complex and interesting Tala patterns. Swapna's presentations mark an equal balance of Tantrakari Ang and the Gayaki Ang, showcasing her mastery over both styles of playing the violin.

Vidu. Swapna Datar's dedication to Hindustani Art Music has led her to teaching music and providing a platform for budding musicians to showcase their talent. The first is accomplished through 'Pariwaar' — A cultural centre in Pune that offers training in music and various other allied services.

While its main focus is on training young children in classical music, vocals and dance (Bharatanatyam), it also organises various activities like Budhwar Bhajan, Bhagavad Gita workshops and Saptahs (spiritual and cultural gatherings) to preserve and promote Indian culture and raise awareness about its spiritual nature. 'Pariwaar' has become a hub for international students of Yoga, Ayurveda and Indian culture.

The second is accomplished through 'SwarSwapn,' a music ensemble that provides a platform for budding violinists to experience the intricacies and hard work that go into live stage performances.

The immensely popular concerts of 'SwarSwapn' include a unique blend of traditional Hindustani classical music and popular Hindi/ Marathi film songs all held together by interesting narrations of anecdotes and fables surrounding these famed compositions as well as easy-to-understand explanations of intricate technicalities of classical music.

'SwarSwapn' has completed over 85 performances in various Indian cities. The troupe recently went on their first international tour across cities in Germany.

'SwarSwapn' has also been specially featured by TV channels such as ABP-Maza and Sony Marathi. 'SwarSwapn' has received applause and blessings from maestros such as Dr. N. Rajam, Pt. Budhaditya Mukherjee, Ust. Faiyaz Hussain Khan, Pt. Madhup Mudgal, Dr. Arawind Thatte, Pt. Vijay Koparkar, Pt. Ramdas Palsule, Bhaav-Gandharva Hridaynath Mangeshkar and well-known Marathi stage artiste Prashant Damle.

## Vocal, Nadaswara concerts at Kotharotsava Vaibhava atop Ch.Hill

*Vid. R. Raghu giving a vocal concert at Chamundi Hill Temple premises last evening as part of the 2025 'Sangeetotsava' programme of the Kotharotsava Vaibhava of Sri Chamundeshwari Temple atop Chamundi Hill. He is accompanied by Vid. Chethan on violin, Vid. Nataraj on mridanga and Vid. Mohan on morching. Picture right shows Vid. Krishnamurthy and troupe, Mysuru, presenting nadaswara recital on Saturday.*

# Mysore Brothers present violin duet in memory of their father

Vid. Mahadevappa

*Renowned violinists Mysore Nagaraj and Dr. Mysore Manjunath (Mysore Brothers) presenting a violin duet as part of 'Danyasi,' an event organised in memory of their father, renowned guru, violinist & Rajya Sangeetha Vidwan, S. Mahadevappa, who was also the Founder of JSS Sangeetha Sabha, at Navajyothi Auditorium in JSS College for Women, Saraswathipuram, Mysuru on Jan. 1. They are accompanied by Anantha R. Krishnan on mridanga and Ojas Adhiya on tabla. Picture right shows a section of the jam-packed auditorium.*

# 'Embrace Indian languages, promote unity'

## Regional Official Language Conference and Award Ceremony held in Mysuru

*Bihar Governor Arif Mohammad Khan inaugurating the Regional Official Language Conference and Award Ceremony for the South and South-West Regions in city recently as other dignitaries including Union Minister of State for Home Affairs Nityanand Rai and Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar look on.*

Mysuru, Jan. 6 (RK&BCT)- "Our Indian culture is deeply rooted in history and knowledge," remarked Union Minister of State for Home Affairs, Nityanand Rai, while presiding over the Regional Official Language Conference and Award Ceremony for the South and South-West Regions.

The event, held recently at the Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) Convocation Hall, was organised by the Official Language Division of Union Ministry of Home Affairs in collaboration with Central Institute of Indian Languages (CIIL).

The Minister highlighted India's rich heritage, stating, "India's deep connection to history and knowledge attracts foreigners to learn our languages. Indian scholars must focus on societal welfare."

He underscored the significance of embracing all Indian languages, describing them as "Ambassadors of our country's multiculturalism." Rai emphasised that while learning any language enriches understanding, cherishing and respecting Indian languages is paramount.

### Hindi unifying link

Rai also spotlighted the global relevance of Hindi, asserting, "Hindi is not just a language for South India; it is emerging as an international language. The Central Government is committed to promoting mother tongues and Hindi plays a vital role in national integration, as envisioned by Mahatma Gandhi, who established the South India Hindi Prachar Sabha."

He added, "Hindi must remain the nation's official communication language while being developed alongside local languages. It should serve as a unifying link in a linguistically diverse country."

In his inaugural address, Bihar Governor Arif Mohammad Khan said, "Learning any language broadens knowledge and there should be no discrimination against any language." Reciting a Sanskrit shloka, he likened Indian languages to the dialects of Goddess Saraswati and urged people to embrace them.

### Reliance on foreign languages

The Bihar Governor encouraged Indians to minimise reliance on foreign languages like English for inter-regional communication, advocating for efforts to learn and use Indian languages instead.

Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar celebrated multilingualism, stating, "The principle of being a Kannadiga and an Indian is beautifully captured in our State song. Our cultural diversity and multilingualism are our greatest strengths, evident in the varied languages and dialects within my Lok Sabha Constituency."

The event also honoured 32 officials and staff from Central Government offices and banks across Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry and Lakshadweep for their outstanding contributions to promoting official language usage.

KSOU Vice-Chancellor Sharanappa V. Halse, Tamil Nadu Central University Vice-Chancellor M. Krishnan, Punjab National Bank Executive Director Binod Kumar, Secretary of the Department of Official Language, Ministry of Home Affairs Anshuli Arya, Joint Secretary Meenakshi Jolly, Joint Director Rajesh Kumar Srivastav, Deputy Secretary Anil Kumar and Bengaluru Divisional Director Anirban Kumar Biswas and CIIL Director Shailendra Mohan, were present.

# National Conference on 'Navigating the Human Capital Management in the Digital Era' held

*Amit Kumar, Vice-President and Business Unit Head of Schneider Electric India Pvt. Ltd., Mysuru, inaugurating a two-day International Conference on 'Navigating Human Capital Management in the Digital Era' at SDMIMD.*

Mysuru, Jan. 6- "Digitisation is inevitably bringing positive changes in the field of HRM, in terms of efficiency and effectiveness of decision making," said Amit Kumar, Vice-President and Business Unit Head of Schneider Electric India Pvt. Ltd., Mysuru.

He was speaking after inaugurating the two-day 12th International Conference on 'Navigating the Human Capital Management in the Digital Era' organised by SDM Institute for Management Development (SDMIMD) at its premises in city recently.

Amit emphasised that in the digital era, companies need to focus on the need for transformation in the leadership style and mindset shifts among employees. He advised the students to follow their passion to become the future leaders. He also mentioned the need for a shift in the role of HR leaders, who need to contribute as change agents in fostering diversity and inclusion in organisations.

Kalyan Varanasi, Associate Director, HR at PepsiCo Capability Centre, Hyderabad, elaborated on the necessity of digitisation in HR processes. He explained that digital tools enhance key functions such as attraction, recruitment, on-boarding, development, retention and employee exits. He also illustrated how organisations may get benefits from the faster and more data-driven HR decisions, in relation to performance and compensation management.

Kalyan also pointed out that many organisations are now considering tier-II cities for business operation expansion due to digital advancements.

Welcoming the participants, Dr. S.N. Prasad, Director of SDMIMD, highlighted how communication norms in corporations have evolved over the years, due to appropriate usage of digital tools. He emphasised on the need for change in the mindset of the management and employees to embrace the digital tools for managing HR processes.

Introducing the Conference theme, Mousumi Sengupta, Dean of International Relations at SDMIMD and Conference Chair, mentioned that though digital technologies are becoming significant tools for the HR functions, companies need to consider the potential downsides, such as, increasing job insecurity, challenges related to deterioration of mental well-being among employees and so on, and take appropriate actions to address such challenges.

The two-day Conference featured insights from distinguished corporate leaders and academics. Key speakers included Sunam Datta, Chief Commercial Officer of Skyplan (Dubai, UAE); Dr. Raihan Taqui Syed, Faculty Member at the United Arab Emirates University (Abu Dhabi, UAE); Ravi Kumar, Head of HR at Feedback Advisory (Bangalore); Dr. Stephen Aro-Gordon, Faculty Member at Muscat College (Oman); J. Ganesh, Business Head at Employee Research & Advisory Services, Feedback Insights and Nirbhay Lumde, Senior Vice-President - ESG & Sustainability at Prestige Group (Bengaluru).

Around 125 participants from India and abroad presented their research on contemporary HR issues. The two-day Conference concluded with a valedictory function featuring Utsav Agarwal, Director of Bhoruka Fabcons Pvt. Ltd., Mysuru, as the distinguished speaker.

## WORD OF THE DAY

### Cerulean

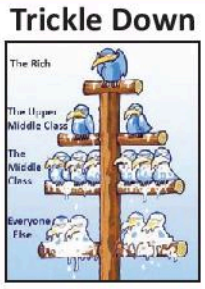
**Pronunciation:** suh-ROO-lee-un (Adjective)
**Meaning:** Cerulean describes things whose blue colour resembles the blue of a clear sky.
**Origin:** There comes a moment in every young crayon user's life when they graduate from the 8-count (or 16-count, perhaps) box to the treasure trove of 64 glorious sticks of differently coloured wax, when they discover that there isn't just one brown or orange or blue, that when it comes to colours, the sky's the limit! Such a moment is often the first encounter people have with the word cerulean, a word that slips sibilantly off the tongue like a balmy ocean breeze. Like azure, cerulean describes things whose blue colour resembles that of a clear sky; it's often used in literature (especially travel writing) to paint an enticing image of an even more enticing vista, as in "the cerulean waters of a tropical lagoon." While azure is thought to hail from the Persian word lāzhuward, with the same meaning, cerulean comes from the Latin adjective caeruleus, meaning "dark blue." That word most likely comes from caelum, meaning "sky."
**Example:** "He grins to appease me and reaches into his pocket and pulls out a cerulean fountain pen, marbled & sparkling. It reminds me of sea on a calm day. 'It was my grandfather's,' he explains. 'He gave it to me and now I am giving it to you.'" —Asha Lemmie, The Wildest Sun: A Novel, 2023.

## THE ODD WORD

**Microphobia**
Fear of small things

## PHRASE OF THE DAY

### Trickle Down




**Meaning:** The phrase 'Trickle Down' means [for something] to be distributed to someone or something in little bits at a time.
**Origin:** As with many popular terms, the origin of 'trickle down' comes directly from the world of politics. It was first used as an adjectival phrase in 1944, but it dates back even further, to the days when American President Theodore (Teddy) Roosevelt introduced the idea of New Nationalism.
**Example:** "Information about what happened finally trickled down to me."

## QUOTE BOX

Happiness is not a matter of intensity but of balance, order, rhythm and harmony. **—Thomas Merton**

## RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus

MOINOD

Answer : In The Mood.

## CROSS WORD

**ACROSS:**
1 Construction piece (1-3)
5 Small Indian weight
9 Giant's curse
12 Breathing sound
13 Mimic or copier
14 Superlative suffix
15 Samoan Port
16 Cause to explode
18 Misgiving
20 Flake of soot
21 Weblike membrane
24 Treat badly
27 Unit of power, kW in short?
31 Make a dash for it!
32 State positively
33 North American nation
34 Persian fairy
35 Small horse for riding
36 Passed away
38 Make into law
41 Memo starter
42 Enticement
44 Auctions
48 Became more intense
52 Atlantic fish
53 U.S. tax dept.
54 Former wicket-keeper __ Kirmani
55 Hinged metal clasp
56 Scottish river
57 A condiment
58 Small amphibious creatures

**DOWN**
1 Basra's country
2 Mahatma Gandhi or R. G. Nadkarni
3 Among other things, inter ___
4 Estate agent
5 Little bit
6 Unseal - poetically speaking!
7 ___ down : disappoints or fails?
8 Fragrance
9 Characteristics
10 Believer: suffix
11 French season
17 The point or gist
19 Cry of a cat
22 Praise
23 All __ ___ : confused ? (2,3)
25 Free from doubts
26 Author __ Blyton
27 England's Harry ___
28 Tennis star __ Lendl
29 Lawyer's jargon
30 Diplomacy
34 Sense of style
37 Aliens?
39 Drinking vessel
40 Lock of hair
43 One-named Irish singer
45 Two pages in a book
46 Formerly, once
47 Things given to bribe or pacify
48 Carried out
49 Before, for the poet
50 Slender fish
51 Insecticide, in short

**YESTERDAY'S ANSWER**

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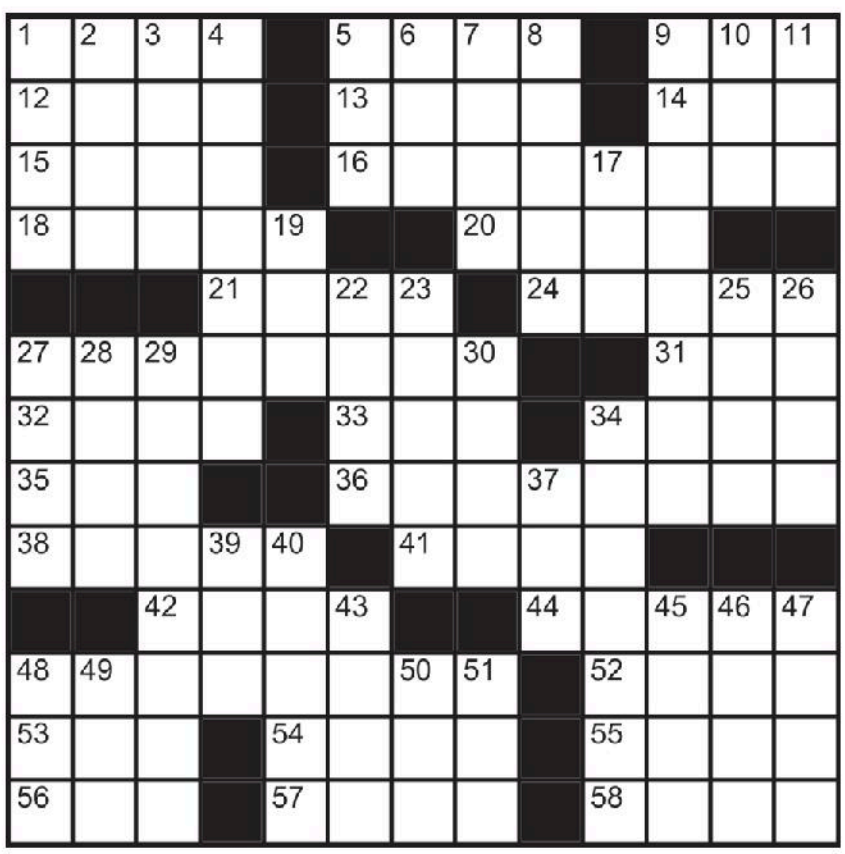

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Answer to previous puzzle

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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

## CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

**EYFERY XJFIRM BKFL LJQA SFI XAQKM UFZ. AJYS**

**XJFIRM QRXF BKFL LJQA SFI LFK'A XAQKM UFZ.**

**TODAY'S CLUE: E EQUALS P**

**Yesterday's Cryptoquip:** The empires of the future are the empires of the mind.

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| *Marco (Ma)* | : | 10 pm |
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| *Mufasa: The Lion King (E-3D)* | : | 10.30 am, 1.15 pm<br>6:45 pm, 9.30 pm |
| *Mufasa: The Lion King (H-3D)* | : | 4 pm |
| *Kraven: The Hunter (E)* | : | 10.35 am, 3.55 pm |
| *Max (K)* | : | 10.40 am, 12.30 pm, 1.30 pm<br>3.20 pm, 4.20 pm, 6.10 pm<br>7.10 pm, 10 pm |
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| *Marco (H)* | : | 1.10 pm |
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| *Pushpa 2: The Rule (H)* | : | 10.05 pm |

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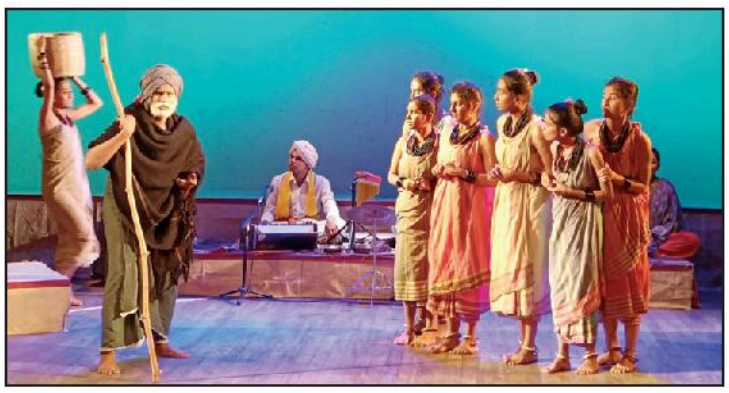
| *After Breakup (K)* | : | 4.05 pm |
| *UI (K)* | : | 4.25 pm, 10.15 pm |
| *Pushpa 2: The Rule (Te)* | : | 10 pm |
| *Kraven: The Hunter (E)* | : | 10.05 pm |

# City's Rangayaana Trust to stage plays in Mumbai

Mysuru, Jan. 6- Rangayaana Trust, Mysuru, will be presenting two captivating folk musicals at the two-day Kannada Drama Festival, organised by Vidya Vardhak Samiti, Kalwa, Thane, in collaboration with the Kannada and Culture Department, Bengaluru, Jnan Vikas Mandal, Kalwa and Kannada Culture Committees, to mark the 40th anniversary of Padmavathi Venkatesha High School and Pre-Graduate College, Kalwa.

The Drama Festival, which celebrates Kannada Art and Culture and aims to bring together the Kannadiga community in Mumbai, will be held on Jan. 11 and 12 at Mehta College Hall, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra.



*A scene from the play 'Soligara Baale.'*

On Jan. 11, at 5 pm, Rangayaana will stage the play 'Chama Cheluve,' directed by Vikas Chandra and written by Sujata Akki. It depicts an enthralling story of Mahishasura Mardhana and the tale of Nanjundeshwara and Chamundeshwari.

On Jan. 12 at 10.30 am, 'Soligara Baale' will be staged. It is a colourful story of Biligiri Ranganatha and the Soliga tribe. It explores the music, dance and mythology surrounding Biligiri Ranganatha and Kusumaale.

Both plays are rooted in folk traditions and promise a delightful theatrical experience for audiences of all ages.

**Rangayaana Trust, Mysuru:** This year marks a decade of remarkable achievements for Rangayaana Trust, Mysuru. Under the leadership of Vikas Chandra, the team has performed over 160 shows of the play 'Gadanginolagana Satya' in industrial sector, across multiple languages and regions in India.

The team is also celebrated for its notable contributions to Kannada theatre through Festivals such as 'Baala Rangotsava' 'Bharataranga', 'Hadi Kinnara Loka', 'Mussanje Rangotsava', and 'College Rangotsava.' Some of its widely appreciated plays are 'Bommana Halliya Kindarijogi', 'Angimyalangi', 'Purahara', 'Abhisheka', 'Seetaranya Pravesha' and 'Shabari.'

## EVENTS TODAY (JAN. 6)

- **Elder Citizens Council, Jayalakshmipuram:** 'Health Talk' monthly series, lecture on 'Health tips for Upkeep of Healthy Life' by Dr. N. Chandrasekhar of Adithya Adhikari Hospital, Council President Dr. H.M. Nagaraju presides, Saraswathi Samudaya Bhavan, **5 pm.**
- **Sri Chamundeshwari Temple, Chamundi Hill:** Kotharotsava Vaibhava, 'Sangeetotsava-2025,' Karnatak Music - Flute recital by Vid. V. Mukunda and troupe, Bengaluru, Deeksha Mantapa inside the Hill Temple, **6 pm to 9 pm.**
- **Desiranga Samskruthika Trust:** Inauguration of Theatre Festival, Progressive Thinker N. Diwakar inaugurates, Senior Theatre Person D. Nagendra Kumar chief guest, Department of Kannada and Culture Joint Director V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy presides; Staging of play 'Akka,' written by Lingadevaru Halemane, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **6 pm.**

## EVENTS TOMORROW (JAN. 7)

- **Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Sabha, Bengaluru and Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Upasabha, K.R. Vanam, Mysuru:** 'Thiruppavai' discourse by K.S. Sridharan, retd. Sanskrit Professor, Maharani's College, Bengaluru, Sanatani Sabha, 2nd Main, 10th Cross, Jayanagar, Mysuru, **6.15 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Sri Venugopalaswamy Temple:** 'Thiruppavai' discourse by Vidu. Dr. K.L. Prasannakshi, retd. Sanskrit Professor, Maharani's Arts College, Mysuru, Temple premises, Tyagaraja Road, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sri Chamundeshwari Temple, Chamundi Hill:** Kotharotsava Vaibhava, 'Sangeetotsava-2025,' Karnatak Music - Veena recital by Vidu. Jyoti Ravindran and troupe, Mysuru, Deeksha Mantapa inside the Hill Temple, **6 pm to 9 pm.**

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| *Kraven: The Hunter (E)* | : | 10.25 am, 7.40 pm |
| *Trailers Screening Show* | : | 10.30 am |
| *Sonic: The Hedgehog 3 (E)* | : | 11.10 am, 4.30 pm |
| *Mufasa: The Lion King (E)* | : | 12.50 pm, 6.55 pm |
| *Baby John (H)* | : | 1.15 pm |
| *UI (K)* | : | 1.40 pm, 10.25 pm |
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| *Marco (H)* | : | 10.30 pm |
| *Pushpa 2: The Rule (K)* | : | 9.40 pm |

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| *Kraven: The Hunter (E)* | : | 9.45 am |
| *Yeh Jawaani Hai Deewani (H)* | : | 10.35 am, 1.30 pm, 3.05 pm<br>9.10 pm, 10.20 pm |
| *Mufasa: The Lion King (H)* | : | 12.20 pm, 6.25 pm |
| *Pushpa 2: The Rule (Te)* | : | 3.25 pm |
| *Rifle Club (Ma)* | : | 4.50 pm, 7.30 pm |
| *Marco (Ma)* | : | 7.25 pm |
| *Identity (Ma)* | : | 10.30 pm |

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May your soul rest in eternal peace.

-Sons Bakher Ali, Anjum Ali, Daughters in law Meenaz Ali, Durdana (Nisha) Ali, Grandchildren Zubin Ali, Aruj Ali, Anush Ali, Staff, Ali Brothers, relatives & friends.

**Obituary**

**Ms. Shreya U**

We are deeply saddened by the untimely demise of Ms. Shreya U., a talented student of our campus. Her loss is profoundly felt by the entire Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, Mysuru Campus community.

May her departed soul rest in peace, and may God grant her family the strength to endure this immense loss.

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